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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

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Dear Examiner Kosar:

This communication is responsive to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 25, 2008. The shortened statutory period for the response to the Office Action expired on July 25, 2008. Thus, with the accompanying request for a one-month extension of time, this response is timely filed.

While Applicant believes no additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent,

resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.